

Park Board Meeting Minutes: Thursday, June 2, 2011

~ Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Committee Chair Andy Beiser.

~ Attendance:

- Committee Members Present:
 - Trustee Andy Beiser, Trustee Doug Falk, Trustee Sherry Livingstone, Lani Stanek
- Others Present:
 - Tori Revoir, Steve Volkert, Chris Hardy (DPW)
- Others who arrived later in meeting (see below for arrival time):
 - Jaci Stelzner

Public Participation

- Tori Revoir informed the parks board that Jaci Stelzner will be approaching the board as a Sovereign State Committee member next month in regards for permission to use the parks during Sovereign State Days.

Approve 2011 Minutes

- The April 4, 2011 minutes will need to be approved in July as there were not enough board members present from that meeting to have a quorum. The May 9, 2011 minutes were approved with the intention of amending them to include the discussion of restricted funds. Sherry Livingstone commented that there was discussion about the restricted funds that was not written in the minutes. Motion was made by Doug Falk to amend May 9 minutes to include restricted funds and seconded by Sherry Livingstone to amend the May 9, 2011 minutes. All Ayes

School Tennis Courts Update

- Steve Volkert informed the parks board that he met with Roger Rozek and Melodie Hoenecke in regards to possible financial assistance with repairing the school tennis courts. Steve informed the parks board that according to Jenny Reese, the park director, the morning recreation program has used them in the past; however, starting this year, the program will no longer use the tennis courts. Sherry Livingstone questioned the use of the tennis courts in general. Steve explained that there are adult tennis leagues that use them. Sherry stated that there was not much use on the tennis courts in Marble Park when they existed and is concerned about the money invested if there is not a high demand to use them. Steve stated that these are the only tennis courts in the Village of Winneconne and a possible situation could be putting \$2000 each year towards repairs versus recreating the courts. With no need for action today, further discussion will come up in the future.

~ Jaci Stelzner arrived at 6:10 pm.

Use of Restricted Funds for Topsoil Around Men's Diamond

- Chris Hardy explained that the Men's Diamond at Marble Park is in need of topsoil around the outside fenced area of the outfield. The reason for the topsoil is because the diamond/outfield was built up and is higher than the area outside the fence. When it rains, all the rain runs off the diamond and sits in these low lying areas which then makes parts of the park under water. Chris stated that his estimate is roughly \$3600 to fill the topsoil in the low areas. Discussion pursued on possible cost saving options. Motion was made by Sherry Livingstone to restrict up to \$1800 to get topsoil from Hoffman and seconded by Lani Stanek. All Ayes

Grounds and Maintenance

- Tori Revoir stated that the park board members keep an eye on the mowing service while in the parks as she has noticed some fast driving on the lawn mower and mowing at busy times at the park. Chris Hardy mentioned that he has spoken to Dan earlier in the week about mowing the grass on Thursdays and Fridays so that the grass is nicely cut for the weekends. Sherry Livingstone stated that next year there needs to be a timeline in regards to signing the contract. There was discussion about the previous mowing services and how they would cut the whole Marble Park in one day and would not leave sections of the park longer than others. They also came early in the morning to cut and were out of the way of young kids when they came for swim lessons or recreation activities. Chris Hardy explained that he will talk with Dan again soon.
- Tori Revoir explained how Andy (caretaker) has been very busy repairing picnic tables and benches; all swings are up and he is working on installation of climbing wall for playground. He has been busy rototilling the beach, mowing baseball diamonds, and doing any odd and end projects/jobs to improve the parks that have been long overdue.
- Jenny and her mom worked on the flower beds in entrance and barrels around the various parks.

Planning – Future Capital Improvement Projects

- Tori Revoir addressed the board with this topic again so we don't lose our direction in regards to future projects. Chris Hardy gave the board members an updated list of improvement projects to keep them insight.

Staff

- Tori Revoir gave updates on the park staff. Andy (caretaker) is very busy and working out well. He is a great addition to our department.
- High School/College Staff had a couple of successful work days on Sunday, May 22 and Monday, May 30.
- Beach staff worked on setup of the beach by putting in ropes, dock, raft, high dive ladders, and putting up umbrellas. They also worked on pulling weeds and cleaning up goose droppings.

- Rec. staff worked on the ball diamonds. Rec. staff is starting to work weekdays now prepping diamonds for games, umpiring, and misc. projects around parks.
- Brandon Unser is no longer working for the park this summer as part of the Rec. Staff. He found another job near his school. At this time, Jenny Reese and Tori Revoir are not filling his position.
- Jason Eake (former lifeguard) has returned to the park staff as he injured his finger and can no longer work at his other job. Jenny and Tori have him as a substitute ticket taker when needed.
- Bryce Chaney (lifeguard) broke his wrist. Jenny and Tori are waiting to hear if he is able to get a waterproof cast. If he is able to get a waterproof cast, he would only lifeguard in the shallow area of the pool. Jenny and Tori feel comfortable with this decision as there are two to three other lifeguards patrolling the shallow water. Bryce would be an extra set of eyes when lifeguarding.

Swimming and Recreation Programs

- All Rec. Baseball, Softball, Incrediball Leagues started this week. They are off to a great start. There are a total of 31 teams.
 - Incrediball: 9 teams
 - Girls JR.: 4 teams
 - Girls SR.: 4 teams
 - Boys JR.: 6 teams
 - Boys SR.: 6 teams
 - OYB: 2 travelling teams
- 20 sponsors have paid the sponsor fee and just waiting on 11 more sponsors.
- The morning Rec. Program will start Monday, June 20th. The current registration numbers are:
 - Age 4-6: 53
 - Age 7-9: 46
 - Age 10-12: 16
- The morning Swim Lessons Programs will start Monday June 13th. The current registration numbers are 155 participants.
- Just a reminder that the beach opens to the public on Friday, June 10th. The third grade field trip to Marble Park takes place on Monday, June 6. The eighth grade field trip to Marble Park takes place on Thursday, June 9 (Raindate: Wednesday, June 8).

Set Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, July 5 at 6:00 pm at Lake Winneconne Park.

~ Motion made by Lani Stanek and seconded by Sherry Livingstone to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 pm. All ayes.